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FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

AFRICA.

Report from Algiers—Typhus fever at Bona extinct.

Consul Johnston reports, June 30, as follows:

The outbreak of typhus fever at Bona, reported June 10, was promptly stamped out. The prison in which the outbreak occurred was evacuated and disinfected. Only 1 case proved fatal. The disease is believed to have completely disappeared.

Report from Cape Town—Examination of rodents for plague infection at East London.

The following is received from the medical officer of health for the Colony, under date of June 8, 1906:

East London.—Week ended June 16, 1906: 95 rodents, of which 9 were found dead, bacteriologically examined. No plague infection found.

ARGENTINA.

Report from Buenos Ayres—Medical conference called to study leprosy and to formulate measures for combating the disease—Summary of smallpox and statistics of vaccination.

Chargé d'affaires ad interim White reports, June 14, as follows:

The development in the littoral provinces of leprosy has assumed such proportions that the national government has seen fit to call a special medical conference to study the disease and to suggest measures for combating it.

Smallpox has been prevalent in a large part of the country. In the northern provinces, notably Corrientes, it has been extensively epidemic. In the capital it has spread unchecked from the beginning of the year, and with remarkable rapidity during the four months from February to May. The following figures are furnished by the public health service of the city:

Month.	1905.			1906.		
	Cases.	Deaths.	Per cent of deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Per cent of deaths.
January.....	161	29	18.0	136	61	44.8
February.....	155	28	18.0	200	58	29.0
March.....	220	52	23.6	359	110	30.6
April.....	163	41	25.0	445	153	34.0
May.....	199	49	24.6	557	172	30.8
Total.....	898	199	22.0	1,697	554	32.6
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Increase.....				799	355	44.0